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## H. C. KACHEL, WELL KNOWN FARMER KILLS HIMSELF

While at Neighbor's House Sunday Uses Shot Gun, Shooting Self in the Left Breast

Was Prosperous Farmer of Rogers and Leaves a Wife and Four Small Children

Last Sunday afternoon Henry Kachel, of the Rogers community, committed suicide by shooting himself in the breast with a twelve-gauge shotgun. He lived only two hours and forty-five minutes. Dr. J. S. Pearce was immediately summoned but there was never, at any time, hope of saving his life.

Mr. Kachel came to the Rogers community with the early settlers of that locality, coming from Missouri. He was a thrifty and prosperous stock farmer and was fast getting in comfortable circumstances. It had been known for some two months that he was suffering from mental derangement, but his many friends believed that it would pass away and that he would soon be his own bright and energetic self again.

It appears that he was across the street at a neighbor's house, Mr. Gans, and that he was not feeling well. Mr. Gans endeavored to get him to go home and, upon his refusal, told him to go into the house and that he would get some kindling and build a fire. Mr. Kachel, thereupon, went into the house and Mr. Gans went after something to build a fire. He heard a noise in the house but it did not sound like the report of a gun. Upon going inside he found the deceased had taken the shotgun, placed the muzzle at his breast and leaned over and pulled the trigger with his right hand. In bending over to discharge the weapon the muzzle was deflected so that the charge entered below and a little to the left of the heart. After the wounded man was put to bed he appeared to be conscious and rational.

He leaves a wife and four children. Funeral services were held at the residence near Rogers Monday afternoon by Rev. G. Harmon, of Clovis.

## Federal Farm Loan Association

Wednesday of this week there was a federal farm loan committee, known as the Shallow Water National Farm Loan association, organized with the following directors: T. W. Austin, W. A. Turner, W. O. Davis, J. H. C. Pope, C. F. Moon and Joe Bradley. Following are the amounts of land offered, and amount of loan asked for:

Hamlin Hill, 640 acres	\$3000.00
J. F. Maxwell, 160 acres	400.00
W. O. Davis, 160 acres	1000.00
J. H. C. Pope, 160 acres	1000.00
Jas. R. Sadler, 160 acres	800.00
A. A. Boulter, 320 acres	1500.00
B. D. Hutchison, 160 acres	800.00
T. W. Austin, 160 acres	1500.00
W. H. Turner, 320 acres	1600.00
S. B. Haskew, 480 acres	2100.00
Mrs. C. E. Moore, 160 acres	600.00
S. D. Burke, 240 acres	1500.00
W. W. Ridgeway, 160 acres	500.00
Joe Bradley, 800 acres	4000.00
B. M. Trammell, 160 acres	1000.00
C. F. Moon, 440 acres	2200.00

The proposed loan association takes in approximately five townships and is located in some of the best farming districts in the county.

Letter from State Senator Bryant To the Portales Valley News, Portales, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:—It seems that my attitude has been misunderstood by certain parties in Portales and vicinity in regard to the taking from Roosevelt county of \$2,365,360.00 in valuations and placing it in the new county of de Baca, so I feel that it is necessary that I make a public statement to the people of Roosevelt county through the columns of your paper, stating just what action I have taken and what efforts I am using to either hold our county intact as it now stands, or to get sufficient additional territory to justify giving up the northern part, or the Panhandle of Roosevelt county.

To begin with, I will say that this is the first experience I have had in reducing or taking from a county, and naturally the most important feature to appeal to me is the amount of taxation it would place upon that part of the county remaining. Through conference and by letter with the county people and officials at Portales, I am convinced that in the event the Pan-handle part being taken over by the county of de Baca that the tax rate in that part of Roosevelt county remaining would have to carry an additional burden of twenty per cent increase in taxes over the present rate.

Another proposition that was put up to me by the people of the section desiring to leave us was that they did not desire to separate from us unless they had a good chance themselves to secure the county seat, so I was placed in a peculiar position of representing one element wanting no division and the other element wanting a division for selfish motives, and I feel that it is my duty to first stay with those remaining in the county and that I should use my greatest energy to protect their interests than to relieve those who are seeking to separate from us. Finding it rather difficult to reach any conclusion as to what attitude I should assume, I thought it best to allow the bill to be introduced in the house to get the matter before the people in a tangible way, so that we could work to some definite purpose, but before they introduced it, it seems that Mr. Pardue had taken the matter up with Portales through Judge G. L. Reese, which resulted in Judge Reese being sent here from Portales with a view that the county division was bound to come and in case it did it, then to make the best agreement possible for the interests of Roosevelt county. Judge Reese and Mr. Pardue reached an agreement, in which I was asked to acquiesce, but I reserved my opinion and my promise until I could hear from the sections of our county as to whether or not said agreement would be to their satisfaction and it seems that by my taking that precaution that a wrong construction has been placed upon my attitude here in Santa Fe and also in the city of Portales. Mr. Pardue was frequently present in discussions of the justice of this cut being made from Roosevelt county and every time that I would make an assertion that it was unjust and that my constituents were not agreeable to it, Mr. Pardue would at once remark that Judge Reese had been sent here by the people interested to effect a compromise to the best advantage and that he had done so and that my constituents were satisfied and that I did not represent the sentiment of that portion of Roosevelt

## IT'S NOT A LEAD PIPE CINCH THAT DE BACA COUNTY BILL WILL BECOME A LAW AT THIS SESSION

Committee Sent to the Capital to Place the Facts of This Bill Before the Senate Seems to Have Done Some Splendid Work in Getting Them to Investigate Matters

Members of Senate Committee and Members of Senate Have Not Understood Attitude of Roosevelt County Heretofore and Mr. Pardue Has Been Enabled to Make Statements Unchallenged. Better Understanding Prevails Now

Mr. P. E. Jordan, cashier of the First National bank of Portales, returned Friday morning from Santa Fe, where he had been as a member of the committee sent by the citizens of Roosevelt county for the purpose of getting the facts of the De Baca county bill before the senate.

In speaking of the probabilities of the passage of this act by the senate, Mr. Jordan said: "That Guadalupe county also had a committee on the ground for the same purpose as Roosevelt, and that the senate committee on boundaries and lines have been and are now holding daily hearings for the purpose of arriving at the true wishes of the people directly affected by the bill. Messrs. Jordan, Garrett, Ball and Bryant have appeared before this committee and are all doing everything in their power to furnish this committee with all the facts in the matter. The chairman, Mr. Gallegos, appears determined that every opportunity shall be given for all parties to be heard and has been uniformly fair and impartial."

While the advocates of the bill creating the new county have the best of the proposition at this time, in point of support promised, still there is hope that enough senators may see the true purpose of the bill to defeat it. One thing is sure, and that is that had not Messrs. Jordan, Garrett and Ball gone to the capital, the bill would have had clear sailing and but little opposition. The great trouble thus far has been that the attitude of Roosevelt county has not been rightly understood, and Mr. Pardue, the sponsor of the bill, has been enabled to make his claims without fear of contradiction. However, with this better understanding, the prospects of maintaining the integrity of Roosevelt county are much better. Messrs. Garrett and Ball are still at the capital working with the committee.

county remaining. This, of course, I was unable to answer, and am still unable to answer at this time due to the fact that I have sought to get the information along this line from various parties in Portales, who have written me that they are with me in my views, but at the same time it does not emanate from any public meeting. In this morning's mail I received another communication from Portales, in which these words are used:

"Pardue is trying to prejudice some of our people against you, but think our people are united in this matter, especially those who are thinking of the future."

My whole attitude has been to preserve to the people interested as low a tax rate as is consistent with good business and that has been my entire idea after considering the convenience of those who live some distance from the county seat, as I feel that it is impossible for every section to have its own county seat and therefore some people are necessarily compelled to go some distance to attend to matters relating to county affairs, and I want to say that it is my absolute intention and desire to use every energy I possess to prevent the new county taking from us a section of territory such as the one that the bill introduced in the senate as a committee substitute to House Bill No. 37 carries, and owing to the rumors that have been wafted about in this city and that of Portales I feel that this explanation is due to the

people, as well as to myself, and if it meets with their disapproval I want them to thoroughly understand that I am here, subject to their orders and my personal attitude will be subservient to the wishes of the majority of my constituents.

I hope that you can feel yourselves at liberty to print this in your paper, as I believe it is necessary.

Yours respectfully,  
R. G. BRYANT,  
State Senator.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilcox, of Fairbury, Illinois, arrived Friday morning for a stay in Portales. Mr. Wilcox was the philanthropist who furnished so many perfectly good dollars toward the support and comfort of a few of the faithful Democrats after the official returns from California came in. Jack was a good loser and his liberality should commend him to the unwashed.

E. L. Kohl, father and brother returned from the foot hills Monday where they had been in search of enlarged homesteads. They report that they found something good.

Dr. D. D. Swearingin, the eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, is in Chicago taking a post graduate course and will not fill his date here this month.

Mrs. Jack Gaiter, of Wichita Falls, Texas, is in the city, called here by the illness of her mother, Mrs. M. J. Faggard.

## Hagerman vs. Portales

In one of the cleanest, fastest and best basket ball games ever witnessed in Portales, the home team defeated the fast quintet of the Hagerman High School on last Friday at the armory.

The game started off like a walkover for Portales, but the Hagerman boys soon got busy and when the first half was ended the visitors had moved their score almost up with that of Portales; the score at this period being 17 to 13. The second half started off with a hard battle, each side taking its turn in making the baskets. The Portales boys, however, soon showed their superiority and got in a bigger lead which they maintained until the final whistle blew. Final score, 34 to 23 in favor of Portales.

People who saw the game declared it one of the best ever witnessed on the home floor. The very best of feeling existed between the contesting teams. Not an unpleasant thing happened or a particle of bad feeling existed throughout the entire game. Hagerman had shown our boys every courtesy possible while in their city, and while the visitors were in our midst, the Portales boys showed them that they were capable of reciprocating the splendid treatment in full measure. The Hagerman boys proved themselves perfect gentlemen while here.

Such fine spirit in athletics should be encouraged, and certainly merits more liberal patronage than was given this game. Our students are required to bring up their school work before they are permitted to participate in the games, and now let's stand by them and give them the proper support.

The Hagerman boys played at Clovis Saturday night. The score was 31 to 27 in favor of Clovis.

John G. Tyson has bought the ranch formerly owned by John McMahan, about forty miles west of Portales. John says that if the legislature cuts him out of Roosevelt county that he will buy again closer to the county seat.

Dr. Williams, assisted by Dr. Wollard, operated on the little boy of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Clayton this week for adenoids, they also took out the little fellow's tonsils.

Mrs. Ella Burnett and L. L. Kachel, of Buffalo, Missouri, who have been visiting with Henry Kachel and family, returned home Thursday.

Deputy Sheriff Adams brought over from Taiban one, Anderson, charged with passing bad checks. He plead guilty.

A. A. Rogers, president of the Portales Utilities company, left Tuesday morning for Chicago.

## "Uneasy Lies the Head."

A German princeling is reported to have been "nominated" to the throne of Albania. "Uneasy lies the head," etc., and it is difficult to imagine a much more uneasy proposition than the leadership of a people whose chief occupation, at any rate whose chief interest, lies in murdering feuds. Imagine the Highlands of Scotland as they were in the middle ages, with the McIntoshes and Camerons ever at war, and other clans or party of clans following suit. Imagine the introduction into this hurly-burly of warring religions, not two but three, all bitterly opposed to each other. Imagine further, that two foreign nations are perpetually intriguing among these distraught Highlanders trying to win clans over to their respective sides. There you have the condition of Albania at the present moment, with this additional complication—that those who have been included in the territory of Montenegro, Serbia, and Greece will be perpetually kicking against the pricks.—London Evening Standard.

## A BAPTIST SANITARIUM FOR PORTALES SHORTLY

New Institution to Be Modern in Every Particular and a Credit to Any Community

With One Exception Will Be Only Protestant Hospital Within Several Hundred Miles

The Baptist people of Portales will put in a sanitarium that will be up-to-date in every particular. It will have six rooms for patients, one large ward, one operating room, one diet room and kitchen, one office and one room for the nurses. The equipment will all be of the latest and best. The operating room will be on the second story and will have a sky light. The promoters want it understood that it will be at the disposal of all, that is, that no patients will be refused admittance whether they have means to pay for their accommodations or not. It is expected that this institution will have assistance from all over the territory that is any where close to this. It is pointed out that it will be, with one exception, the only protestant denominational hospital within many hundreds of miles, and for this reason it should have the hearty support of all. Portales has, for some time, needed a sanitarium, a place to properly care for the sick and the afflicted. It is next to impossible to give the proper care and attention to patients outside of a hospital and we are sadly behind the times in this matter. Talk this matter up, encourage the promoters and may be we will soon have this much needed institution.

## White House Changes Hands

Wednesday of this week the White House grocery was bought by Henry Shapcott and sons and they entered into possession at once.

The White House has always been one of the unusually clean and sanitary provision houses and has always enjoyed a good trade. Mr. Shapcott says that he is going to make an especial bid for the country as well as the city trade and that he wants all the farm produce that comes to town. He also informed the News man that he would have a satisfied trade, whether he made any profit or not; that only honorable and upright methods would be employed. With the declaration of principles as laid down by him, it goes without saying that the new firm will get its share of the patronage.

Mrs. A. B. Seay and daughter, Miss Maurine, left Sunday morning for Ardmore, Oklahoma, at which place they will, probably, make their home. This was one of the estimable families of Portales and their moving away will be a distinct loss to the community.

P. E. Jordan, W. H. Garrett and W. H. Ball left Sunday morning for Santa Fe to bring what influence they could to bear to prevent the cutting off of twenty-two townships of Roosevelt county.

W. F. Faggard is up from his Carlsbad ranch, called here by the illness of his mother, Mrs. M. J. Faggard.

**HOW TO MAKE BUTTER OF GOOD QUALITY**



**STIRRING AND TAKING TEMPERATURE OF CREAM.**

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

When the cream is about ready, scalding water should be added to the churn to cleanse it thoroughly and also to swell the pores of the wood and thus prevent the cream being absorbed. The lid should be placed on the churn and the churn given a few turns. The lid should then be removed and the water drawn out. Cold water is now added to cool the churn, to prevent raising the temperature of the cream when it is poured into the churn. The churn is given a few revolutions and the water is drawn off as before. At this time the printer and paddles or ladies should be scalded and placed in



**Beginning Operations With an Earth-squaring Plunger-Type Churn.**

cold water to swell the pores of the wood and prevent the butter from sticking. The churn is now ready for the cream, which should be poured through a coarse strainer to remove any lumps of cream or any hard white specks which are formed by the drying of the cream to the sides of the can. The natural color of butter when

**PARROT IS VERSATILE BIRD**

Excels Other Representatives of Feathered Tribe in Many Ways Besides Imitating Human Voice.

It appears that it is not only imitating human speech that the parrot excels most of the birds. It is one among birds in taking food in its claws. With these two characteristics it makes more or less use of that which distinguishes humanity from the rest of the animal kingdom—the hand and the larynx. The monkey uses its hands and the elephant its trunk in feeding. Various animals have a habit of pawing their food. Rodents have serviceable toes. Still, the parrot is pre-eminent among birds in this regard. The secretary bird is said to attack reptiles with its claws, and some observers have said that owls make partial use of their remarkably flexible perching-toes somewhat more than does a hen in scratching for food. However, there is no other bird which, when presented with a piece of food, will accept it in its claws.

Parrots do not, of course, talk, as the word is used, in their wild state, and are not known to be imitative of neighboring sounds, nor to possess the repertory of the mockingbird. It is, therefore, a question whether or not their use of the claws is largely imitative also. The shape of the parrot's beak would indicate that some assistance in eating has always been a part of the bird's characteristics. Like man, the parrot makes its appearance in the world naked and helpless.

**Aeroplane Shaped Like Bird.**  
An artificial bird built by a French inventor, which has recently been subjected to practical tests, apparently solves what has been one of the hardest problems in connection with heavy aircraft—spring mechanism, that of in-

**STAGE SALARIES NOT HIGH**

Annual Income of Good Japanese Actor Estimated at \$7,500, Out of Which He Pays for Costumes.

According to the author of an interesting work on the Japanese stage the profession of an actor in Japan is not considered a high one. "When a play is staged," he writes, "it runs at least 23 consecutive days. For such a term a first-class man would earn about \$1,250 and his annual income may be estimated at \$7,500. But it must not be forgotten that out of this sum he must provide his own costumes, which are very expensive.

"The curtain does not rise, as in Europe and America, but is pulled sideways and one can easily see the attendants who are entrusted with this work. The orchestra is hidden behind the scenery, while in a sort of proscenium box the reciter sits concealed behind a curtain of thin bamboo. There is no applause by clapping hands as in our theaters, but the public stimulates the actors by exclamation, in a way that may be compared to the encouraging and cheering of the dancers in Spain. From the greenroom a bridge leads to the platform. This bridge is called Flow-erpath. The greenroom is closed by a drapery, which the actors must lift for themselves. When the performers have some importance and reputation they have an attendant for the purpose of lifting this drapery. But the first actors have the title *taiya*, which confers the right to two assistants to hold up the curtain of the greenroom for their entries and exits."

**GOT MAIL THROUGH QUICKLY**

Efficient System That Was in Use by the Romans Some Hundreds of Years Ago.

While the Roman postal service of ancient days was, of course, a crude system, yet the mails were forwarded with considerable speed. The system of couriers on horseback was borrowed from the Persians, who, according to Xenophon, had established it under Cyrus. The Roman adaptation of this was the best system of transmitting letters among the ancients.

All along the great Roman roads stations were erected at distances of five or six miles from one another. At each of these stations 40 horses were constantly maintained, and by the help of relays it was easy to travel 100 miles in a day.

These services were intended for the state only, it being imperative to secure the rapid interchange of official communications. In the time of Julius Caesar the system was so well organized that of two letters the great soldier wrote from Britain to Cicero at Rome the one reached its destination in 26 and the other in 28 days. Private citizens were obliged to resort to the services of slaves, and it was not until the end of the third century that there was an establishment of a postal system for private persons by the Emperor Diocletian; but how long this system endured history does not inform us.

The supply of horses and their maintenance was compulsory, and only the emperor could grant exemption from it.

**A Trail of Faith.**

A pastor in western Pennsylvania, who until recently was a believer in the literal answer to prayer, now is, with some trepidation, taking stock in his faith. Not long ago a visiting fellow clergyman prayed fervently in his pulpit to this effect:

"May the brother who ministers to this flock be filled full of fresh zeal and new vigor."

The startled pastor says that he doesn't object to fresh zeal in moderation, but does object to having one of these new breakfast foods forced upon him.

**British Humor and Ours.**

Some Americans think that they do not like British humor. That is because they expect it to be like American humor. They might as well dislike the charming Surrey hills because they are not like the Rocky mountains.

American humor is original, quick and striking. It insists on your attention like a lively terrier. British humor is quiet and confident. It sits and pats by the fire until you come and stroke it. It is an acquired taste, but it is worth acquiring.

**Window Box Potatoes.**

Among the suggestions that have been advanced for the increase of the food supply in Germany is one in which the beautiful will be made to give way to the practical. Berlin and other German cities are noted for the enthusiasm with which the women engage in the cultivation of flowers and in this cultivation the window boxes are made to play an important part in the beauty of bloom and the graceful trailing vines. It is now proposed that these window boxes shall be given over to the growing of potatoes.

**International Race.**

The splitting up of the Rothschild family of Frankfurt into British, French and other branches has been an interesting, though not remarkable phenomenon of the last 150 years of finance, and was recently instanced by the fact that a small French cruiser, that recently removed Germans from a Spanish liner, was formerly a Rothschild yacht.

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**CLEAN DAIRY VESSELS**

Wash Separately and Keep Them Away From Dust.

Into Hot Water Put Some Good Alkaline Wash Powder—Avoid Use of Soap as It May Leave Disagreeable Taste.

(By J. M. BURGESS, Associate Professor of Dairying, Clemson Agricultural College.)  
A pail, bowl, or other vessel that is used for milk should not be used for any other purpose. It should be washed separately from other vessels and kept away from dust.

Wash all dairy vessels in warm water first, then in water as hot as the hands will stand. Into this hot water put some good alkaline wash powder. Do not use soap, as it may leave a taste.

After washing thoroughly with the hot water and washing powder, wash well with clean hot water and put the vessel in the bright sunshine. If it is possible, it should be steamed, but sunshine will kill germs as well as steam will.

In washing dairy vessels, it is much better to use a brush than a cloth. A brush can itself be kept cleaner and can also clean the corners of vessels much better than a cloth.

It is poor business to buy low-priced tinware. Buy only the heavy-grade ware and see to it that vessels have seams covered with solder. A wooden handle on a milk pail only adds a place for germs to collect and is hard to wash.

There is no better strainer than white cheesecloth. Use of the small-top pull for milking and white cheesecloth as a strainer will go far toward insuring the production of clean milk.

**MANY ACRES ARE VALUELESS**

Profitless Patches Worth Nothing as Farming Proposition—Improvement Will Pay Big.

The acre that does not pay for its tending may have some value as a sale proposition, but as a farming proposition it is worth nothing at all. The average farm has some such acres, too. A gullied slope, a water-logged hollow, a bare spot in the pasture, a brush-covered corner—those pieces of the farm may be a dead expense to the farmer, may be costing him money every year instead of earning money for him. Usually some money is required to change such patches of land to real parts of the farm, but the sums needed are seldom great and no money the farmer spends will pay a bigger profit.

**DRY UP PERSISTENT MILKER**

Safe and Simple Process Is: Don't Milk Her—Vacation Is Good for Heavy Yielders.

Occasionally it is desirable to dry up a cow in order to fatten her for beef. The safe and simple process is—don't milk her.

More often the question is asked whether it is wise to dry up a persistent milker a few weeks before calving, and if so, what is the safe and simple process.

It is generally believed that a short vacation period is good for heavy yielders. There are cows that will give several quarts of milk a day up to the time of calving. In the long run these cows will prove to be the profitable members of the herd, even if they do not always start off with a big flow when fresh.

If for any reason it is desired to dry up a cow that is soon to calve, it is safe to milk her once a day, taking about half of her milk. When she drops to a quart a day she can be turned loose with safety and not milked at all, simply watching her to see that no inflammation sets in.

With this treatment should go limited feeding. With a maintenance ration of dry feed only, lactation will ordinarily cease altogether without any injurious results.

**Obliging.**

At a certain church in a Jersey town it is the invariable custom of the clergyman to kiss the bride after the ceremony. "A young woman, who was about to be married in the church, did not relish the prospect and instructed the clergyman that she did not wish him to kiss her. The bridegroom obeyed the instructions given.

"Well, Harry," said the young woman when he appeared, "did you tell the minister that I did not wish him to kiss me?"  
"Yes."  
"And what did he say?"  
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**You Will Make no Mistake if You Follow This Advice**

Never neglect your kidneys. If you have pain in the back, urinary disorders, dizziness and nervousness, it's time to act and no time to experiment. These are frequently symptoms of kidney trouble, and a remedy which is recommended for the kidneys should be taken in time. Doan's Kidney Pills are a good remedy to use. It has acted effectively in many cases in this vicinity. Can Portales residents demand further proof than the following testimonial?

Manuel G. Trujillo, Depot St., Las Cruces, N. Mex., says: "I had sharp twinges across the small of my back. My head ached badly and I felt miserable in every way. I suffered from these ailments for years. Doctors tried to cure me, but they didn't help me at all. I tried different kinds of medicine, but nothing did me any good. I was so bad I couldn't work. I finally used a box of Doan's Kidney Pills and they cured me."

Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that cured Mr. Trujillo. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Priddy went to Roswell last Friday where Mr. Priddy was operated upon for hernia. Drs. Bradley, Joyner and Kinsinger were the operators. Reports from that place were to the effect that he was doing nicely.

**Remember February 28th is the last day you have to render your property for taxes without the 25 per cent penalty being added thereto according to law. Burl Johnson.**

## Portales School Notes

The fifth school month ended January 26th. The total enrollment to that time was 563. There were 452 on the roll at the end of the month and the average daily attendance for the month was 407. The big snow which lasted about a week interfered considerably with the attendance in the lower grades for the entire time it was on. This cut our attendance down considerably for the month. There were 26 visitors at school during the month. We still have on our rolls 117 who have not been absent during the year and 259 who have not been tardy. It is usually about the same pupils who are tardy day after day.

We keep hearing encouraging news concerning the sale of our bonds. Within the next few days we hope to see the deal closed.

The Hagerman boys, eleven in number, visited chapel Friday morning of last week. They were accompanied by Mr. Youngs, one of the Hagerman teachers.

The object of the school is to give the students an education. They can not get this without study. If the teachers are trying to get them to study give them your cooperation. Something can be done for the children, if you do this.

Following is the honor roll—pupils who have at least 90 per cent in all subjects, including deportment, and who have not been tardy more than three times during the month:

High school—Marion Stinnett, Howard Hext, Sanford Fairly, Esther Marrs, Hallie Mitchell, Hazel Mahan.

Eighth grade—Mary Jones, Mae Ferguson, Geo. Ellis

Sixth grade—La Von Brown, Burton Denison, Ruth Watson, Arthur Del Curto.

Fifth grade—Maxine Dameron, Jack Hopper, Glenn Setser.

Fourth grade—Robert Puckett, Mildred Merrill.

Third grade—Stella Duncan.

Second grade—Dorothy Blanton.

First grade—John Milton Rice, Helen Blanton, Juanita Knapp, Maxine Thomas, Ida Mae Douglas, Juanita Hancock, Bonnie Bell Taylor.



## Two Carloads

We have just unloaded TWO carloads and are selling from two to four cars every day. Better get yours now while we have a supply. Spring will find us unable to make deliveries.

**The Highway Garage Co.**

R. L. BLANTON, Manager

## OPERATING OUTLAY ON AVERAGE FARMS

**Overhead Expenses Placed at \$7 by Farm Management Department of Nebraska College.**

Operating expenses for the average eastern Nebraska farm, according to surveys made by the farm management department of the Nebraska agricultural college, total very close to \$1,500 or from \$7 to \$7.50 per acre.

This figure includes depreciation charges on buildings and machinery and the value of all labor including that of the farmer himself at the rate of wages for hired men. It does not include the interest on the value of the land. On \$100 land, this would be at least \$5 per acre; on \$150 land, \$7.50, or as much as all other expenses combined.

Operating expenses are about the same on all farms with the exception of the extremely large or extremely small farms, regardless of whether or not they are showing a loss or returning a profit. This is evidence that it is impossible to reduce expense of operating a farm below a certain point, and that profits are not made by reducing expenses but by increasing farm receipts.

## SCIENCE OF PLANT BREEDING

**Development and Improvement Has Been Great in Last One or Two Hundred Years.**

During the last one or two hundred years the science of plant breeding has received much attention and the discoveries have been so applied that the development and improvement has been greater than that of as many thousands years before. Practically recent history of the agricultural world does not bear in any way upon the marvels that confront us today.

## Darwin on Marriage.

A newspaper correspondent recalls the following early advocacy of eugenic marriages from Darwin's "Descent of Man":

"Man scans with scrupulous care the character and pedigree of his horses, cattle and dogs before he matches them; but when it comes to his own marriage he rarely or never takes any such care. He is impelled by nearly the same motives as the lower animals when they are left to their own free choice, though he is in so far superior to them that he highly values mental charms and virtues. On the other hand, he is strongly attracted by mere wealth or rank. Yet he might by selection do something not only for the bodily constitution and frame of his offspring, but for their intellectual and moral qualities. Both sexes ought to refrain from marriage if they are in any marked degree inferior in body or mind; but such hopes are Utopian and will never be even partially realized until the laws of inheritance are thoroughly known. Everyone does good service who aids toward this end."—New York Evening Post.

## HONORED HIS CANARY BIRD

**Resident of Atlantic City Buried Dead Pet in Style Accorded Human Beings.**

An Atlantic City resident recently buried a pet canary in a style seldom accorded either bird or beast. The little body was placed in a silk lined metallic coffin. Then a burial service was read over the bird, setting forth how the songster had brought happiness and good cheer into the home of the owner through the influence of his silvery notes. There were tears shed at the funeral and at the little grave. A complacent sort of an attendant at the obsequies was the family cat, who listened to the solemn words and watched the little bundle of feathers as he ruminatively stroked his whiskers. He had been the death of the canary and would have had it eaten after his first spring brought it down to the floor had not the owner intervened.

A Cincinnati woman not long ago buried her pet parrot with unique honors. She had had the bird, who was a great talker, speak into a graphophone, and although to visitors the result was nothing but a lot of squawking the owner insisted that it was a faithful reproduction of the affectionate words uttered now and then by the parrot. At the funeral of the bird the woman had this record put in the graphophone and turned out to several listeners called in to take part in the obsequies. Then the record was placed alongside the bird's body and buried with it, for the owner declared she could never bear to hear her pet's voice again if she could not see the bird in the flesh.

In Philadelphia some time ago a boy who had a pet squirrel prevailed upon his father to bury the entire cage of the squirrel, running wheel and all, when the little animal was put in the ground.

## Base Ball Story.

Here is a little story told recently by Christy Mathewson and it may cast a side light on some inside baseball that will be interesting to the fans: "One of the most serious things that can happen in a game of ball," said the mighty twirler, "is for the pitcher to double cross his catcher. It was not so very long ago that I did this to Chief Meyers. In fact, I have been guilty of that breach of baseball etiquette on several occasions, but always unwittingly. Now here's the reason for my lapses: Meyers is naturally dark and when he becomes tanned his skin is unusually so. When he puts his hand against his glove to give the signal for the kind of a pitch he wants, it is hard to tell whether he has one or two fingers extended. One finger might be the signal for a curve and two for a fast one. After giving a signal the catcher, naturally, is looking for what he called, and if the twirler throws something else, the backstop might easily be injured. This is the first time in my long career that the color of a catcher's hand played such an important part in baseball games. Every fan knows that the face of a backstop's glove becomes a dark brown, and when, in addition, the catcher's hand is tanned to an unusual degree, it is some job for the pitcher to tell the difference between one and two fingers."—Leslie's.

## Who Wants a Racing Hog?

(J. H. Toulouse)

The razorback is fast becoming extinct in New Mexico, and if there are still people in the state who want hogs for speed rather than pork, they had better get on the job and get possession of these speed animals before the club boy drives them all out of the state. Believe me, they are going out fast: faster than they did in Iowa and Illinois and some of the other real hog states of the Union, and all because the club boy is on the job, and the club boy knows what pays and is going to have it, no matter what dad says, or what the custom of the community has been heretofore.

Do you know that two hundred boys went in for better hogs last year, and had them, too, and that this year four hundred boys are going that one better, and are going to have four hundred of the best hogs to be obtained anywhere? So you fellows with the razorback had better hide him away, for just as sure as you are born, the pig club boys are going to shoo that razorback out of the way of a good pork producer.

Don't you stand in the way of this movement, for if you do, you will get left just as far behind in the financial race as the razorback will be in the race for better pork, because cooperating with the boys are the state college and the United States government, and that is a combination that won't be easy to buck.

Conrad H. Roden, of Cullman, Alabama, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. J. K. Bland.

W. O. Biggerstaff returned this week from Corning, Arkansas, where he had been to take Bud Mansker, wanted there on a charge of white slavery. He was apprehended at Elida.

Porter Deen and Walter Crow returned Sunday from Dallas and other Texas points. While away they visited with George C. Deen and Dr. L. R. Hough, at Mineral Wells, both of whom were there taking baths.

## Some Good Jerseys

Carl Turner returned last week from Texas with a splendid bunch of registered and high grade Jersey cows and heifers. They represent the flower of the best herds in Erath and Hamilton counties. Part of them are cows that for the past twenty-five years have been bred up by the father of John W. Ballow, our county treasurer. Carl has already sold six to C. S. Leatherman, of Redland, four to Will Griffin, of the same place, and three in Texico. All this stuff is from sires and dams that have milk and butter records. There are thirty-six in the bunch and all are fresh or will be soon.

Sheriff Gregg and Deputy Biggerstaff Wednesday night arrested James Jones, a cow man living about forty miles west of Portales. Mr. Jones is charged with shooting at William Elliott, his half-brother, with a gun with intent to kill. His bond was placed at one thousand dollars, which he gave. The causes leading up to the shooting are not known.

J. E. Wallis, proprietor of one of Elida's popular hotels, was a Portales visitor Thursday, and called at the News office. Mr. Wallis is one of the Democratic wheel horses of Elida.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bowers arrived this week from Trinidad, Colorado, and will be here for the next thirty days.

See V. J. Campbell, auctioneer, for best results in farm sales.

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**J. K. BLAND**





**FRANCES X. BUSHMAN and BEVERLY BAYNE, the crowned King and Queen of the screen, in "A MAN AND HIS SOUL," at Cosy, Monday, Feb. 12th.**  
 It requires skill to preach goodness and show moral uplift. It's as plain as A. B. C. in "A Man and His Soul." It's a Metro.  
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**Special Excursions**

Scottish Rite Reunion, Santa Fe, N. M., February 19th to 21st, 1917. Tickets on sale daily Feb. 15th to 20th; final return limit Feb. 24th. Fare for round trip, \$20.00. Through Pullman, Portales to Santa Fe. Call at ticket office for reservation.

National Educational Association, Kansas City, February 26th to March 3. Tickets on sale February 23, 24, 25. Limit March 7th. Fare \$27.50.

**T. C. JOHNSON, Agent**

**H. C. Kachel**

H. C. Kachel was born in Rooks county, Kansas, December 7, 1891, where he lived till he was about 9 years old and then went with his parents to Polk county, Missouri, where he met his companion, Effie Fortner; and was married April 30, 1905. To this union were born four children, three girls and one boy. He accepted the Lord as his Savior in January, 1916, in Elk county, Kansas. He located at his present home near Carter, New Mexico, in February, 1916, where he lived devoted Christian life until his death. He departed this life February 4, 1917, leaving a wife and four children, two brothers and three sisters, and a host of friends and relatives.

"Ever Ready" Flash Lights and Batteries at C. M. Dobbs'.

**Card of Thanks**

The undersigned wishes to thank the many friends who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of our little daughter. We are deeply grateful for these services and hope that you will receive your final reward in that land where sorrow and trials come not and where all is sunshine and gladness.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Morrison.

**Resolutions**

To the Roosevelt County Teachers' Association, in session assembled at Taiban, New Mexico, January 26th and 27th, 1917.

We, your committee on resolutions, beg to submit the following resolutions:

1st. That we heartily endorse and pledge our active support in successfully carrying out the proposed educational rally to be held in Portales, on April 7, 1917.

2nd. That we endeavor to influence, by petition or otherwise, legislative enactment of a measure which will provide available funds to pay all school warrants when presented for payment.

3rd. That we, the teachers of Roosevelt county, extend our thanks to Mrs. S. F. Culbertson, who has recently completed a long and successful administration as superintendent of schools, for her untiring efforts and words of encouragement to us during her entire term of office, and wish for her success and happiness in all her future undertakings.

4th. That we heartily thank Mr. Lugibihl, Dr. Boyd and Mrs. Miller for their time and instructive discussions and extend to them an invitation to meet with us again.

5th. That we heartily thank

the people of Taiban for their unlimited hospitality in caring for the visiting members of this association, thereby increasing the success and pleasure of this meeting. Especially do we appreciate the program of Friday evening rendered by Mr. Edd Frost, Mrs. Brown, Misses Cornett, Burns, Davies, Tanner, Espey and little Regene Brown.

6th. That copies of these resolutions be furnished the Taiban Valley News, Taiban, New Mexico; the official county paper, Portales, New Mexico, and the New Mexico Journal of Education, Santa Fe.

J. R. Shock.  
 J. E. Owens.  
 R. A. Deen.  
 Committee.

**Longs Items**

Henry and Paul Walker are back in school after a long absence on account of illness. We are glad to welcome them back, they both do excellent school work.

Tom Haislip is putting a windmill over his new well.

Mr. Kendall has been having a well drilled. He has already found water and thinks he will have a good well.

U. S. Frazee and daughter went to Rogers last Saturday night to attend church.

Mrs. M. T. Fullerton returned last Sunday from Portales, where she has been taking chiropractic treatment. She is very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Fullerton were visitors at Mr. Frazee's place last Sunday.

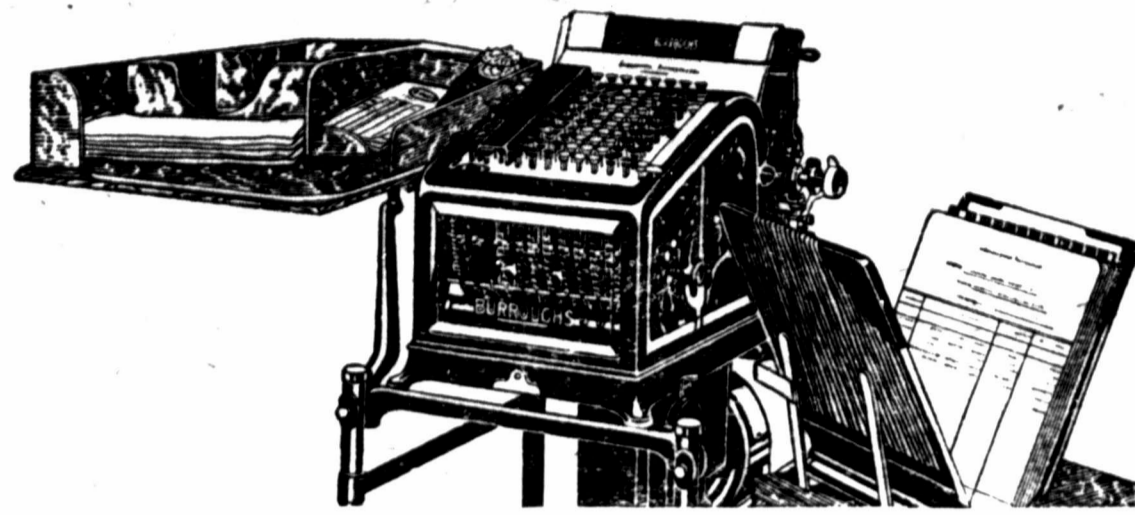
Miss Sarah Walker, who is at town taking treatments, is expected home soon.

Spectacles, all kinds and prices at Dobbs' confectionery.

W. O. OLDHAM, President

P. E. JORDAN, Cashier

H. C. WAGGONER, Asst. Cashier



**How a Machine Does Our Bookkeeping**

A short time ago we installed a remarkable machine in our Accounting Department—a machine which adds and subtracts, tells the date, keeps our books and gets out monthly statements. It does all this work much faster than any bookkeeper could, and has never been known to make a mistake.

The installation of this Burroughs Bookkeeping machine means that our accounts will be handled just as rapidly and accurately as those of the largest and most up-to-date banks in the country.

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The fact that our figure work is done on a Burroughs is a guarantee to our customers of absolute accuracy in the handling of their accounts. The machine method of ledger posting makes it impossible for a mistake to get past unnoticed. This accuracy insurance alone is important enough to you and to us to

justify the use of the machine method, but there are many other advantages.

**Better Service to You**

The Burroughs will handle our figure work in about half the time formerly needed. This gives us more time for other things—time to improve the service in every department of the bank.

Come in and see our machine bookkeeping system in operation. We will be glad to show you how the machine makes entries in our books, how it automatically adds in one column, subtracts in another and so on and how it makes mistakes impossible. You will be welcome any time.

We don't want you to think of this bank just as a place to deposit your money, although of course we are glad to have you keep as large a balance with us as possible. It is our desire to render our patrons every service and accommodation that can be reasonably expected from us.

Talk over your business problems with us. It is part of our work to study business and financial conditions, and it may be that we can suggest some ideas that you will find worth while. Please feel free to consult us at any time.

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**Council Proceedings**

Portales, New Mexico, February 6, 1917. — The town council met in regular session, and upon roll call the following trustees were present: J. P. Deen, mayor; Charles Goodloe and G. M. Williamson, trustees.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. The following claims were presented and after having been examined were ordered paid as follows:

- C. O. Leach Coal Co., car coal ..... \$ 92.40
- C. O. Leach Coal Co., car coal ..... 168.93
- W. E. Keeter, salary ..... 100.00
- M. E. Duncan, salary ..... 60.00
- H. L. Atkinson, salary ..... 50.00
- S. A. Morrison, salary ..... 25.00
- W. H. Braley, salary ..... 25.00
- C. J. Whitcomb, rent for fire department ..... 10.00
- Nunn Electric Co., sup. .... .65
- Mountain States Telephone Co. .... .75
- Joyce-Fruit Co. .... 1.75
- G. L. Reese, legal services as city attorney ..... 60.00
- Deen-Neer Co., supplies ..... 13.55
- J. L. Fernandes, supplies ..... 4.35
- J. P. Henderson, J. P. court cost ..... 3.00
- Continental Oil Co., sup. .... 16.00
- Highway Garage, supplies ..... 2.10
- G. L. Reese filed his resignation as town attorney, which was accepted.

S. A. Morrison presented his resignation as a member of the board of town trustees, which was accepted.

The town trustees appointed Inda Humphrey as a member of the town board to fill vacancy caused by resignation of S. A. Morrison, and also appointed James A. Hall to act as town attorney. The town council then took a recess until Tuesday

evening, February 13th, at 7:30 o'clock to consider such business as may properly come before the council at that time.

J. P. Deen, Mayor.  
 Attest: W. H. Braley, Clerk.

**Announcement**

The second quarterly conference for the Rogers circuit will convene on Saturday before the third Sunday of this month. Services to be at 11 a. m. Saturday, dinner on the ground and quarterly conference immediately after refreshments. Preaching service Saturday night also 11 a. m. Sunday and Sunday school at the usual hour. Everybody come and be with us at Inez on this occasion.

W. L. Jenkins, P. C.

W. L. Jenkins, pastor of the Methodist Church, Rogers circuit, will be at the following places once each month:

Rogers first Sunday in each month, 11:00 o'clock; Carter at 3:00; back to Rogers that night; at Plainview Saturday night before; at Redland 2nd Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m.; Causey that night; Roebuck on Tuesday night after second Sunday; Longs Wednesday night; Dora Thursday night; Inez third Sunday, 11:00 a. m.; Rolles at 3:00 p. m.; back to Inez that night; Arch 11:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m. on fourth Sunday; Portales Springs school house that night; Eiland Saturday night before. Will add others later. Help me to make these services worth while with your presence. Everybody come.

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FOR SALE or RENT—the northeast quarter, section 10, township 4 south, range 34, near Portales, formerly known as the Clarence Bray property. Will sell or rent for best offer.—Chas. D. Savage Lumber Yard, owner, Streator, Illinois. 14-2t

Dr. L. R. Hough returned home from Mineral Wells, Texas, Tuesday, where he been taking treatment for rheumatism. He says that he will be in his office for work the latter part of the week.

**The Dixie Lyceum Bureau**

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**Tuesday February 13**

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